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"Expandable Stent Having Removable Slat Members"

Dear Examiner,

The following responds to an Office Action mailed September 25, 2007.

I appreciate your attention and consideration in this matter.

Best regards

Michael W. Mozitgomery

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 25, 2007, please amend the application identified above as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of Claims, which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 11 of this paper.